Working of crime records bureau

4772. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Crime Records Bureau in Delhi is working for the purpose it was set up;

(b) what is the pace of computerisation in CRB;

(c) whether all the posts are filled up; and

(d) the foreign trips undertaken by its officials during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Delhi Police have purchased two servers for their Crime Criminal Information System (CCIS) which is being developed to maintain database of arrested criminals and their associates; stolen properties; scene of crime etc.

(c) No, Sir. Out of 26 posts sanctioned for the Crime Records Bureau, four posts are lying vacant at present.

(d) None of the officials posted with Crime Records Bureau undertook any foreign tour during the last five years.

Crime rate

4773. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been an all round increase in the number of crimes in the year 1999;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to check these crimes and reduce them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) 'Public Order' and 'Police' being State subjects as per the Constitution of India and as such, the registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Central Government has been advising the State Governments, from time